

Washington – Rep. Lee Terry today voted to pass H.R. 910, the Energy Tax Prevention Act. The measure, which passed by a vote of 255 to 172, is designed to prohibit the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) from unilaterally imposing a costly cap-and-trade style regulatory tax on American energy production.

By increasing costs on the production of American energy, the EPA will cause energy prices to skyrocket. Even the smallest increase in energy prices will have a significant impact on our economy and place further burdens on families and businesses. Higher domestic energy costs will stifle job growth and competition, halting our economic recovery.

The Energy Tax Prevention Act will permanently prevent a national energy tax from being imposed by fiat by the EPA through the Clean Air Act.

**"The bill we passed today will protect the American consumer from the higher energy costs that will result from this misguided power grab. If we want to right our economic ship and reduce our dependence on foreign sources of oil, the last thing we need is for the EPA to level a backdoor energy tax," Terry said.**

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